

ACRONYMS

AQ	Air Quality
Bcf	Billion cubic feet
CA	Cooperative Agreement
CMI	Coastal Marine Institute
DOI	Department of the Interior
EA	Environmental Assessment
EEZ	Exclusive Economic Zone
E-GOV	Electronic Government
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
ESP	Environmental Studies Program
FACA	Federal Advisory Committee Act
FY	Fiscal Year
GMAQS	Gulf of Mexico Air Quality Study
IA	Interagency Agreement
IOOS	Integrated Ocean Observing System
LOI	Letter of Intent
LNG	Liquefied Natural Gas
LSU	Louisiana State University
MMS	Minerals Management Service
MODU	Mobile Drilling Units
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPA	Marine Protected Areas
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NOPP	National Oceanographic Partnership Program
NRC	National Research Council
NSF	National Science Foundation
NTL	Notice to Lessees
OC	Ocean Commission
OCS	Outer Continental Shelf
OMM	Offshore Minerals Management
RFP	Request for Proposal
SC	Scientific Committee
SGE	Special Government Employee
SPAR	Surface Piercing Structure
SWSS	Sperm Whale Seismic Study
Tcf	Trillion cubic feet
TPEC	Technical Proposal Evaluation Committee
U.S.	United States
USGS	U. S. Geological Survey